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In re Application of: § Attorney Docket No.: Muller-17
Peter Finsmans and Christina Diblitz §
Serial No.: 09/509,400 § Art Unit No.: 1713
Filing Date: June 19, 2000 §
For: *Aluminium Acetoacetate Compounds,
the Production and Use Thereof as
Printing Ink Additives* § Examiner: Margaret Medley

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 20, 2001, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification

Please add the new Abstract attached hereto on a separate page.

In the Claims

Please cancel claim 1.

Please add new claims, 23-26:

NEWLY ADDED CLAIMS

23. (New) A composition comprising:
(A) one or more aluminium compounds with three ligands per aluminium atom of the following kind:

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